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CINDER CAR MYSTERY BAFFLES AUTHORITIES

District Attorney and Police Chief Admit They Cannot Find Any Clue.

Prosecutor Thinks Something Is Wrong and That Family Knows but Will Not Tell.

MIDDLETOWN, April 5 .- The Furman nystery, which has for its principal elements the discovery in a cinder car t human bones, the confession of two men that they murdered their brother and the return of the brother after an absence of three months may never be

District Attorney Rogers virtually threw up his hands this evening. With Police Chief McCoach he admits the authorities are baffled. They don't know which way to turn.

Calmiy knitting at a front window of a shabby frame house out near the Ontario and Western Railroad yards, and ecasionally rising tightlipped to turn distrustful glances on visitors, there sat mother of the young men whose sayings and doings have puzzled Middletown more than any occurrence in the last twenty years. Every effort has been made to get from her an explanation as to why her sons Eugene and Joseph should have insisted separately that they killed their brother Theodore. She will not talk. None of the family will talk.

The fragments of the body that was found in an Ontario and Western cinder gar are so burned that it will be impossible to fix the identity of the man who, the authorities say, undoubtedly was murdered about the time that Eugene and Joseph were insisting the other had killed their brother.

The officials intimate that no arrests be made unless evidence more valulight. The District Attorney has worked quietly with Chief McCoach, out the only outcome of their labors has been increased mystification.

in a talk with THE SUN man to-night District Attorney Rogers outlined the Firman mystery as it stands.

"I have absolutely no clue to the

identity of the remains found in the cinder car," he said. "There has been no disappearance either of man or woman reported to one since last fall, during the time in which this could have happened, and I have not been notified if any has been reported to the police.

The theory advanced on Thursday that the remains might be those of a woman is without foundation. At the time of the discovery and examination by the doctors what seemed to be a emblance of a mustache was found on been a woollen fuzz off the clothes. This merning, however, there is a growth of stubble beard on the face nearly a quarter of an inch long, and red. Dr. Distler old me he was absolutely certain when examined the remains at the tim ey were brought to this city that the

I am as certain as I can be that some ng has taken place, either at the home of the Furmans or near there, of which they have knowledge and which they are rying to conceal. The various statements ade by the boys bear me out in this. specially the two made by Eugene and which were nearly identical.

growth was a mustache and beard.

Not only this, but there is the attiide of the boys when making these tatements and the attitude of Joe when was confronted by his mother in the chief's room and told her she had told him of the killing of Theodore. When his mother exclaimed that he must be razy to say such a thing Joe broke down and exclaimed that everything he had told had been a lie.

From the actions also of the family am convinced that something is amiss They were unusually secretive and helped

What other mother, or brothers and sisters, with one brother alleged to be dead and two in jail charged with the me and the other members of the they sat still and let the authorities do

Take the case of Eula, the fourteenear-old daughter. When she was sum-

> ase came up they were little heir neighbors. I believe the ly, next door, was more or less with them, but I have yet to find

the boys Eugene and Joseph il Gene made statements almost the one statement and would g more at any time.

ounty Judge Royce spent the jail, and Gene told him story When he had conclude

ip all day, and Mr. Royce disthat no one could believe. an say for me, however, that far from clearing up the matter.

n of Theodore has only added ations. We will work uncessingly Continued on Second Page.

FREIGHT CARS IN RIVER.

They Were Bumped Overboard When Tows Collided.

A New York Central tugboat towing wo floats, both loaded with box cars containing merchandise, collided with a New York, New Haven and Hartford President Will Restate Our Detug, which was also towing a float carrying loaded box cars, off Pier 6. East River, shortly after 6 o'clock last night. The boats came together with such force STILL SUSPECTS FURMANS that the string of cars on one of the Central floats jumped the bumper and ran into the river. The last two cars of a string of four hung over the side of the Central floats, while the other two were below the surface of the river.

A hurry call was sent to the Merritt Chapman Wrecking Company and when the wrecker Hustler arrived the crew succeeded in raising three of the cars and setting them on their tracks, but the first car that jumped the bumpers the bottom.

After the wrecking crew succeeded in setting the cars on the float and the President's communication will be a disentangling the floats. It was found that no damage had been done to the boats and both continued on their way Neither tugboat captain could explain the cause of the head on conision.

\$10,000 TO RANSOM BOY?

manded for Missing Child.

A rumor was circulated yesterday that distrustful glances on visitors, there sat a ransom of \$10,000 had been demanded definite result in thwarting the negotiathis afternoon Mrs. Ella E. Furman, for the return of Giuseppe di Fiore, the tions that were already under way ibesix-year-old boy who disappeared from in front of his father's bakery at 133 West Houston street, nine days ago. The police and members of the boy's family, however, days that the boy's family. nowever, deny that such a demand has

Thus far every hospital has been searched to learn if the boy has been injured but Giuseppe has not been found. The boy's father is one of the wealthy men of old Greenwich Village. Several years ago he received a number of threatening letters, but nothing came of them. For a time he guarded his family with vigilance, but finally relaxed his watch-

His missing son was seen last in front of Public School 8, on King street. He attended the school attached to the Church of St. Anthony of Padua, which is within able than has yet been obtained comes a few hundred feet of his home. He had returned from school at 1 o'clock and had gone to play. When he did not return at 6 o'clock the father notified the police. The boy is about three feet high and very dark complexioned: · His right eye is smaller than the left. He is noted as a

TIES UP CITY FOR \$300 CLAIM.

Woman Attaches Important Movable Property of Portsmouth, N. H.

whistler

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., April 5 .- Mrs. Eller Quinn practically tied up the machinery of the Portsmouth city government to-day by having attachments put on the City Hall and the movable property of city departments to cover a \$300 damage claim. Under instruction from Mrs. Quinn's counsel two Sheriffs sealed the desks of city officials. They attached horses and

After two hours of this the attachments Mexican Government personal bond for \$3,000. That permitted the city government wheels to move again. Mrs. Quinn had presented a bill of \$300

to the city for damage done to the heating apparatus of her house by a leaking sewer. The committee of claims of the City Council allowed her bill at last night's meeting, but Mayor Badger vetoed the bill when it was read in the council meeting. He said it was an overcharge and that Mrs. Quinn could go to law about it.

Mrs. Quinn took the Mayor at his word. sent for her attorney, got a writ of attachment against the city and the lawyer gave copies of it to Sheriffs Shaw and Spinney with instructions to hustle around and attach any city property at 9 A. M. with the City Hall, but passed the fire department by, as there is a statute forbidding interference with fire

BOY AT PLAY SHOOTS GIRL.

For several days Roy J. Phares, wh is 16 years old, has been keeping house alone in his parents' apartment at 160 family claiming that Theodore was alive. Wadsworth avenue because his step-but would have used every effort to find mother was ill in the hospital and his father the missing boy? But did they? No, was away in Texas. Yesterday he called in Thornton C. Harrison, who is a year whatever was done toward finding the younger than himself, and lives in the issing boy, and then refused to give us next block at 209, and two of their friends, what information they might have, which girls 16 years old, to come and help with the housekeeping.

The four were hardly inside the door of the apartment when Harrison ran into of the apartment when Harrison ran into the same was sumpled as a witness before the Grand had to be taken before Judge chauser and warned that if she did testify and answer questions she do be locked up. Then and then only dishe tell anything, and that was lively be themselves of the family as a whole symbol to the tell anything and that was lively be themselves of the family as a whole symbol tell occurred by a neighbor, who seen tword for a dector.

Miss Petit was taken to the Washington Heights Hospital. At first it was feared The four were hardly inside the door Miss Petit was taken to the Washington Heights Hospital. At first it was feared that the wound would prove fatal, but an immediate operation showed that the ball had gone only beneath the skin. The doctors thought that had it not been deflected by a corset steel death would have followed. Miss Petit lives at 587 West 184th street with her mother.

Detectives from the West 152d street station made an investigation of the shooting and decided not to arrest either of the boys.

Wants Pay for Embracing Jewish Faith. was to get \$20 a week for life for embrac-ing the Jewish faith Mrs. Meta Kerns of

333 West Nineteenth street filed suit yes-terday against the estate of her motheryou the truth this time. This a year ago. Mrs. Kerns said that the

NEW WARNING TO THE WORLD AND TO JAPAN

termination to Enforce Monroe Doctrine.

HANDS OFF THE HEMISPHERE

Taft's Reply to the Lodge Resolution Will Thwart Magdalena Bay Negotiations.

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- President Taft's reply to the Lodge resolution on Magdalena Bay will serve as a new warning to the world, and especially to Japan, broke loose from the rest and went to of the determination of the United States more or less perfunctory statement of Government Looks Into Prices of Neces. facts it is bound to have this effect.

This, it was learned to-day, was the chief purpose that Senator Lodge had in mind when he introduced his resolution calling for all information in the hands of the State Department in regard to the Police Deny That Price Has Been De- reported concession given by Mexico to Japanese interests. Senator Lodge feels that he has already accomplished one of butter and groceries. tween Americans and Japanese interests

The Ledge resolution, it can be said, was not the result of any ill considered or impulsive action. There is good reason to believe that Senator Lodge before presenting the resolution consulted with Senator Root and that the New York Senator concurred in the action that the Senator from Massachusetts was to take. It was learned to-day that the negotiations for the turning over of the Magdalena concession to Japanese interests were actually under way when Senator Lodge introduced his resolution in the It can be said now that these negotiations have been dropped and there is no likelihood of their being re-

sumed concession to Japanese interests were conducted for the benefit of John Henry & Sons, a lumber concern of New Hamp-This firm was a heavy creditor of the Lower California Chartered Company, which had obtained the Magdalena Bay concession from the Mexican Government several years ago. When the concession was originally obtained the men behind it expected to develop mining properties. These turned out to be a failure, and about the only commercial industry undertaken on the big concession was the manufacturing of dyes from seaweed. That industry failed and the Lower California Chartered Company itself became insolvent. That left New Hampshire lumber firm with a bad debt and it has been endeavoring ever since to recover its loss

When the concession was first granted were levied on it. In recent years the Mexican Government has jumped the a convenient way often practised by the Mexican Government to squeeze out concessionnaires who fail to develop their holdings. This additional burden of taxation has added to the annovance of the creditors and accounts in part for the repeated efforts within the last year to dispose of the holdings to Japanese in

terests The fact that no practical commercia advantage is to be derived from the ownership of the Magdalena Bay concession has led to the suspicion that the Japanese hoped eventually to use it as a naval station

The President's reply to the Lodge this country's stand on the Monroe Doc a year or more as to threatened trouble between this country and Japan

MISS NICOLL COMING HOME.

ick Girl Will Be Brought From Phili delphia in Private Car To-day

PHILADELPHIA, April 5.—Miss Josephine Nicoll, daughter of De Lancey Nicoll, who has been ill for two months at the St. James Hotel, will be removed to New York to-morrow in the private car of Pennsylvania Railroad.

Miss Nicoll is still far from well. Nicoll said to-day she had given up the plan of taking her daughter to Europe. She said: "I have made arrangements to have her take a long rest up the Hudson. She will go there about May I and will remain until July I."

LAURETTE TAYLOR FLEES.

to Leave Town.

Laurette Taylor, who has been playin the leading part, Luana, in "The Bird of Paradise" at the Maxine Elliott Theatre, left the cast on Monday night. Since then Blanche Hall, her understudy, has been filling her place. On Saturday next week the play will move to the West End Theatre for a week and the com pany will then disband.

At the Maxine Elliott Theatre last night, it was said that Miss Taylor had left the company unexpectedly after the performance on Monday night and that her whereabouts were unknown to the Under an alleged agreement that she managers of the production. Nearly dozen threatening letters received the actress, it was said, had so unnerved her, that she was unable to go on with the part

The day following the receipt of bomb by Judge Rosalsky Miss Taylor re-ceived a letter in which the writer said that she had but four weeks to live. Since then she has received a dozen simi-lar letters, all postmarked from Station 1. 125th street and Lexington avenue. Miss Taylor has been constantly guarded by Headquarters detectives, but on Mon-day afternoon a threatening letter was pushed under the door of her apartment at 127 West Fifty-sixth street. She gave the night performance and then quit without notice to her managers.

Driven From Carriage by Flood, Spends Night in the Potomac.

WEVERTON, Md., April 5 .- Miss Grace Wilkow, daughter of a farmer living long the Potomac River above Harper's Ferry, was marooned on a rock in the river yesterday evening, where she spent a night of terror.

She was driving from home to visit friends and attempted to ford the river. The water, owing to heavy rains, was deeper than usual, and the carriage began to float. The girl climbed to the horse's back and unhitched the vehicle, which floated away.

So strong was the current, however, that fearing both would be drowned, she leaped upon a rock. Her calls for help were unanswered and she remained there all night. This morning neighbors saw the horse, which had reached shore, and a searching party was organized. The girl was found more dead

to enforce the Monroe Doctrine. While INQUIRY INTO LIVING COST. Tuesday and on Wednesday morning.

sittes in Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 5 .- An inquiry into the high cost of living has been begun here. Investigators of the Department going. Her butler denied that the reason of Commerce and Labor will arrive in for her departure was that she had been the retail prices of foodstuffs and the necessities of life in general. The main inquiry will be made into retail prices

Miss Ida Beck, a special investigator for the Department, came here a few days ago and began an inquiry into the to-day and is expected back in a few days with other agents.

Coincident with the investigation comes a report that the Government contemplates criminal action against the Chicago Butter and Egg Board and the Elgin Board of Trade. Civil action is pending against the members of the rate committee of the Chicago board. Government agents have been at smaller sized envelopes, one addressed work for some weeks gathering statistical to Mrs. Belmont and the other with this information regarding the butter output in the middle West, the markets used by dairymen and the prices they have

OUTLAWS BEG FOR FOOD.

Allen and Edwards Visit Mountaineer, Who Tells Officers.

MOUNT AIRY, N. C., April 5 .- Sheriff Haynes went to the mountains this morning in response to a telephone message from Sug Smith informing him of the whereabouts of Sidna Allen. detectives also reached Smith's home about 11 o'clock this morning with bloodhounds, but could not get them onto the trail owing to the time that had elapsed since Allen was in that neighborhood.

that Sidna Allen came to his house about in part: s o'clock last evening and remained long enough to shake hands and ask for something to eat. Allen, who declared he had eaten nothing that day, begged for something, but there was nothing cooked in the house and when Allen left in the direction of the mountains he requested Smith not to give him away.

by the Mexican Government taxes Weeley Edwards was standing a short amounting to only about \$300 a year distance away. He joined Allen and night before Smith telephoned to Sheriff Haynes, because he was afraid to give inextends through a region known to be friendly to the outlaws.

After the dogs failed to scent the trail the detectives left for the mountains. following the direction taken by the outlaws, and the man hunt is on again.

HENEY LIBEL SUIT CASE.

Testimony of Sixty Witnesses in Graft Prosecution to Be Taken.

estimony ever issued in the Supreme Court was signed vesterday by Justice resolution, in bringing out these facts or Seabury, directing E. H. Heacock of most of them, is expected to have a San Francisco to take testimony there wholesome effect, not only in reiterating of all the witnesses produced by the plaintiff or defendant in the suit brought side, but her butler said that she had trine, but in clearing the atmosphere of here by Francis J. Heney, the former the stories that have been circulated for graft prosecutor, against William H. Crocker of San Francisco to recover \$250,000 for libel.

The suit is based on a letter written by Mr. Crocker in which he charged that the San Francisco graft prosecution became passionate, vengeful, criminal," and that there was corruption of witnesses, fixing of juries and trafficking in exemption with Abe Ruef and former Mayor

The San Francisco commissioner to begin taking testimony next week and will continue until next October. At least sixty witnesses, and possibly every one Samuel E. Rea, first vice-president of the who had any part in the graft prosecutions, will be examined. Among those to be examined are Ruef, Schmitz, Tirey L. Ford, William H. Langdon, James D. Phelan and Patrick Calhoun. It is expected that the entire series of graft cases will be rehearsed when the libel suit is tried here next fall and that the case will occupy a month of more.

MIRACLE GIRL'S MOTHER DIES.

Detention of Daughter, Suddenly Made Hear, Caused Worry.

Schule Lipsitz, the mother of Marese Lipsitz, who was detained at Ellis Island on the advice of the Marine Hospital surgeons at Halifax, where the steamship that brought her here steamsnip that brought her here had stopped, because she was a deaf mute, died yesterday at the home of her son-in-law. Philip Singer, 726 South Ashland Boulevard, Chicago.

It was said that her death was due to worry over the plight of her daughter and their detention.

The girl was ordered deported on the strength of the certificate of the sur-

strength of the certificate of the surgeons at Halifax that she was deaf and dumb. But when she arrived at Ellis

Island she could speak and hear. Her mother said that her cure came after the Campanello had a 100 mile gale. The girl violently seasick and had lo herself in a room. The door was broken down and, the story goes, the girl cried out in Russian as she ran **out on de**ck: "I can hear; I can talk!"

A Jewish society became interested in the girl and the order for deporta-tion, based on the report of the Hallfax surgeons, was rescinded and she was permitted to land with her mother. They had been more than a week on

GIRL MAROONED ON A ROCK. MRS. BELMONT GETS A DEATH THREAT BY MAIL

Also a \$10 Note With the Copy of a Cablegram She Was to Send to Mrs. Pankhurst.

POLICE DENY KNOWLEDGE

Although Mrs. Belmont Went Herself to Headquarters-She Goes Out of Town.

Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont, it was learned yesterday, has received threatening letters among the hundreds that come to her each week. Three of them in one package were received by her on it was said at her house last night, she went to Police Headquarters herself and saw Commissioner Waldo. Mrs. Belmont left her town house, 477 Madison avenue, last night without saying where she was frightened by the letters.

The police of the East Fifty-first street station, Winifred Sheehan, Commissioner Waldo's secretary, and Deputy Commissioner Dougherty- all denied with peculiar emphasis that they had been notified of the reception of any threatening letters. Mrs. Belmont kept out of sight after publication was made that such letters had been received, but confirmation came from Mrs. Belmont's home that the letters had come to her and that the police had been notified.

The letters came in one envelope through the mails. The outside address was typewritten and the letter contained two warning typewritten on its outside: "No employee is to open this, on pair of discharge

It could not be learned yesterday what was in this second small envelope. The first envelope which was addressed to contained a crisp new \$10 note, a cable form filled out and a message. The cablegram was addressed to Mrs

Pankhurst and had this message on it: Easter greetings. A great financier in the that practical measures are being con-sidered by world's financiers that promise better conditions within a year. Stop inefficient warfare. Remember the heroism of a battallion of women in China

rail owing to the time that had elapsed The message contained in the same ince Allen was in that neighborhood.

Smith, who is a reliable man, says was addressed to Mrs. Belmont and read

"In entrusting this message to one not member it carries with it the same penalty as though you were a member. If you fail to carry out your instructions in this case means your death. You will be killed as you come from the house

What follows would lead one to conclude that the letters had been sent by a crank. While Allen was talking to Smith There is a rambling announcement that Weeley Edwards was standing a short the cablegram should be sent not before JURY HAS BIG SLANDER SUIT. convention might do the President's Saturday, and that copies of it were to be both left together. It was nearly mid- given to the newspapers of New York Reported to Stand 7 to 5 in Favor of Giv- of the ultra conservative platform It concluded with the assertion that a formation over a telephone line that more cheerful future could be assured to

The fear that the letted although the work of a crank, might be from a dangerous man was what led Mrs. Belmont to report the matter to the police. She is the president of the Political Equality League, which has its headquarters at 15 East Forty-first street. The reference to suffrage, the basis of the letter, leads to the belief that the work was done by some one who does not think that Mrs. Belmont has been strong enough in

supporting Mrs. Pankhurst.
Mrs. Belmont's departure last night, the night before the letter was to have been given out for publication by the newspapers, was thought at first to indicate that she wanted to be on the safe gone out on Long Island on a visit to some friends, on an invitation of lone standing. Mrs. Mary A. Morgan, who lives at Mrs. Belmont's house, and does some work in the Political Equality League, had also gone "over to Brooklyn to visit her daughter. outler said he didn't know where Mrs.

Morgan could be found. Police Commissioner Waldo was not in to reporters yesterday afternoon and they were told by his secretary, Winifred Sheehan, that he had gone for the day When inquiry was made at the office of Commissioner Dougherty a few minutes later Mr. Sheehan suddenly appeared in Dougherty's office and denied with heat that the police were working on the Police denials have been frequent in bomb and threat cases of late. Carefu scanning of the region of Mrs. Belmont's house by THE SUN reporter did not reveal any detectives on guard.

Mrs. Ida Husted Harper, a well know suffragist, said last night that she had not seen Mrs. Belmont recently, but that Mrs. Belmont had received threatening letters by mail.

MEXICAN LOSES \$50,000 GEMS.

Jewelry at First Supposed to Belong to Cavalleri.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
PARIS, April 5.—M. de Miers, the former Minister of Mexico here, who occupied a palatial mansion on the outskirts of this city, informed the police to-day that he had discovered that a lot of jewelry. including 300 pearls, of the value of \$50,000, was missing. Jewelry of this value was discovered in a pawnshop here on March The ownership was first attributed to Lina Cavalieri, the prima donna, and

afterward to former President Diaz of Mexico. Mme. Cavalieri denied the jewels were hers, and former President Diaz said before he left here for Madrid that he had not lost anything. For these reasons the police are of the opinion that the jewels reported lost by M. de Miers are those pawned some two weeks ago.

OBJECT TO "SHYLOCK."

lews of Perth Amboy Want Study of the Character Barred From High School.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., April 5 .- A move to take Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" out of the curriculum of the high school here has been started by the educational committee of the Young Men's Hebrew Association of this city.

The committee was appointed recently by the association to take up the matter with other Hebrew organizations. Local lodges of B'nai Zion, Brith Shatom and Brith Abraham, the Hebrew Progressive Association and the Hebrew Educational Alliance are supporting the movement, and the congregation of the Temple Beth Mordecai is in favor of it.

After formal action by these and other organizations is secured the committee will wait upon the Board of Education and ask for the immediate elimination of the study of Shylock from the high school curriculum.

KNIFE FOR "DIAMOND JIM."

Brady Undergoes Operation Hopkins Hospital. BALTIMORE, Md., April 5 .- James B.

Brady of New York, better known as "Diamond Jim" Brady, underwent a serious operation this afternoon in the ohns Hopkins Hospital.

He arrived in this city on Tuesday and registered at the Hotel Belvedere in company with his friend, John E.

He was taken to the hospital shortly after 10:30 o'clock this morning and the operation was performed after

Mr. Brady has been ill for several months and was advised while in Baltimore at the last race meet to try the Hopkins hospital. When his condition ecame serious several weeks ago he prepared for his trip here.

Late to-night he was reported to be greatly improved.

PILE SAVES CAR FROM RIVER.

Trolley Jumps Track on Bridge Breaks All but Last Safeguard.

CINCINNATI, April 5 .- Swaying on a below, passengers and crew on a car nation bound for Ludlow, Ky., had a thrilling experience to-day.

The car left the bridge tracks as it

sengers alighted and made their way Had the fifth pile not held the car

it would have plunged into the river. ONE RESULT OF PANAMA_CANAL

German Lines May Charge Same Bate to Frince as' to New York. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, April 6.-The Chronicle says to carry steerage passengers to California via the Panama Canal at the same rates

will be sufficient to cover the canal dues.

CHICAGO, April 5 .- The jury in the slander suit of Esther Mercy against the University of Chicago for \$100,000 went, into deliberation this afternoon after Judge Pomeroy had finished his

explanations. At 11 o'clock to-night the jury had not been able to agree. It was gossip in the court house that the jury stood 7 to 5 in favor of giving Miss Mercy

a verdict. "If Miss Talbot went out of her way to slander Esther Mercy and thereby caused a third person to believe that Miss Mercy's character was questionible, then a verdict should be returned to the plaintiff," said Judge Pomeroy in his explanations.

EIGHT BURIED BY AVALANCHE

ix Rescued, but Leader Is Dead and On Student Missing.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. VIENNA, April 5.—Prof. Cork of Laibach University and a party of seven, most of whom were students, were swept down the Hochztuhl, the highest of the Karawanken mountains by an avalanche to-day

Woodmen saw the accident and moned a party of mountaineers from Laibach. These worked throughout the afternoon and by nightfall had rescued seven, Prof. Cork was dead. Six of the others were unconscious but were able to reach a refuge hut. A student named Kohler is still missing. The party was swept down a distance several hundred yards.

DIED IN THEATRE.

C. F. Schoepflin of Gardenville, -N.

Stricken With Heart Disease. Charles F. Schoepflin, a civil engineer of Gardenville, N. Y., died in the balcony of the Bronx Theatre, at 150th street and Melrose avenue, where he was attending

Melrose avenue, where he was attending a performance yesterday afternoon. His body was taken to a dressing room and not removed from the theatre until the performance was over, so that few in the audience knew what had happened.

Mr. Schoepfin, who was 45 years old and had mining interests in Cobalt, was visiting his friend E. M. Holden of 500 East 158th street. The Bronx. With Mr. Holden, George Clarke of 1080 Washington avenue, The Bronx, and Frank Boo of 758 Elton avenue, The Fronx, he bought seats in the rear of the balcony. They had hardly taken their places when Mr. Schoepfin turned to his friends, said, "I feel ill" and slumped forward in his seat.

Manager Rosenbach of the theatre had Mr. Schoepfin taken to a dressing room and got Police Surgeon Dr. Thomas Higgins, who was in the audience. The physician said that the man had died of heart failure and when Coroner Schwanneckers.

failure and when Coroner Schwannecke got there he agreed with Dr. Higgins. The Coroner did not order the body re-moved until every one had left, when he dered it taken to the Fordham morgue.

Why not spend it at the Hotel Nassau, Long Beach, L. I. (Electric trains from Penna, Station, 34th Street). European plan, Finercoof, On the finest beach north of Florida. Phone 100 Long Beach, Management Merry & Boomer, Special trains Sunday, April 7. Leaving N. Y. 12:30 P. M. and 4:10 P. M., Leaving Long Beach 6:10 P. M. and 3:30 P. M.,—Ade.

Rochester Convention Will Indorse His Acts and Declare for Him.

BARNES NOT TO OPPOSE

Stand of Roosevelt Men Makes It Necessary to Act Decisively.

PLATFORM OUTSPOKEN

Root, Stimson, Koenig and Other Leaders Favor the Change of Plan.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Republican State convention of New York to be held in Rochester next week will instruct the delegates to the Chicago convention for President Taft. That statement was

made here to-night on high authority. There has been a shifting of the programme in regard to the New York State convention within the last day or two Chairman William Barnes, Jr., and some of his followers have thought that it would be unwise to pledge the delegates, although they acknowledged that the men to be chosen for the Chicago convention would be for Taft. It was learned tonight that Senator Root, Vice-President Sherman and President Koenig of the New York Republican county committee and other influential Republicans are in favor of the convention going on record pile, with the Ohio River just three feet in support of President Taft's renomi-

The New York State leaders have learned that the President himself, while neared the Kentucky side, headed for not wishing to interfere in any way with the water. It broke a telephone pole, the New York situation, would prefer to tore through four piles, but stopped at have the delegates carry instructions. the fifth and hung there, while the pas- The New York delegates in Congress say that the President's friends in New York are going to insist upon instructions. No opposition is anticipated from Chairman Barnes.

The chairman and his close-friends have contended all along they were for Taft and it was merely a question of expediency whether the State convention should instruct for him. The Taft men who are for pledging the delegates that two German steamship lines propose to the President said to-night that if necessary they had the votes to carry through their programme, but that no as to New York. The only extra charge

opposition was anticipated.

The Barnes people have contended that campaign more harm than good, in view put through at the Rochester convention Some of these Republicans said that this platform would openly repudiate all the revolutionary ideas of Col. Roosevelt and would hark back to old Republican doctrines in a way that might even

progressive of the Taft type. "If the delegates at Rochester are nstructed for Taft." said one of these Republicans to-night, "it will give Roosevelt an opportunity to point to the New York State platform and say: 'Of course the organization that would adopt such platform would not support my candidacy."

be a trifle embarrassing for a Republican

These arguments, however, have had little influence with the Taft men and it can be said now that they are going to Rochester with the determination to select delegates instructed for Mr. Taft The continued harpings by the Roose velt managers on the anticipated failure

of the New York State convention to instruct for Taft may have had something to do with a change in plans. The Roosevelt managers have eagerly seized upon an interview with State Chairman arnes, in which the chairman was quoted: "I don't think it would be of any help to the Republicans on election day if we were to bind the delegation from this State hard and fast for Taft in the convention. There is no other significance to our sending an uninstructed delega-

There have been rumors and stories circulated that Barnes desired to prevent the instruction of the convention delegates for Taft so that New York might be free to act to the best advantage in the event of a compromise candidate being suggested. Furthermore it has been said that the idea of an uninstructed delegation was to promote the renomination that Mr. Sherman himself is in favor of the election of delegates at large under instructions would seem to refute this The Taft people have contended right along that the stories circulated by the Roosevelt managers in regard to Barnes's loyalty were groundless and that the New fork State chairman was heartily in favor of President Taft's rehomination Senator Root and other warm Taft supporters have come to the conclusion, however, that instruction of Taft delegates to Chicago is highly desirable.

President Taft besides declining to interfere in any way with the action that the New York State convention will take in regard to his candidacy has adopted a course of hands off as to the platform to be adopted. This platform, it is said, ill be the most outspoken of any adopted by a Republican State organization is condemnation of some modern theories It was learned to-day that Senator Root has been drawing a tentative draft of some parts of this platform for submission to the convention. It is understood he has been doing this at the request of Chairman Barnes. Senator Root's opposition to judiciary recall and to the initiative and referendum are well known. The Senator, it is believed, is drafting the planks in the platform which